



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 135

LCO No. 709

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:

SEN. MCLACHLAN, 24th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE TO THE
STATE'S PRISON POPULATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 That chapter 319v of the general statutes be amended to require the
2 Commissioner of Social Services, in consultation with the
3 Commissioner of Correction, to (1) take such steps as are necessary to
4 ensure that all persons who are incarcerated in state prisons and
5 eligible for Medicaid coverage are enrolled in the program; (2) bill the
6 Medicaid program for the cost of medical services provided to
7 Medicaid-eligible inmates, with provider reimbursement rates not to
8 exceed one hundred ten per cent of the federal Medicaid
9 reimbursement rate; and (3) improve state technology systems used in
10 billing for the cost of medical care provided to persons incarcerated in
11 state prisons.

Statement of Purpose:

To reduce the medical costs incurred in treating the state's prison
population.